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It has become the unwritten but none the less stringent law that young men shall dress well and neatly during business hours. In many of the largest banks and financial institutions none of the clerks is permitted to go coatless, and in the mercantile establishments where salesmen are employed "loud" attire is actually discouraged. The old time salesman gloried in his flamboyant cravats and shirts, his diamonds and his peculiar clothes. His capital in trade consisted of a flashy appearance, vulgar stories, a constitution that would stand intoxicating liquor and an unlimited amount of cheek. He did not have to know anything about the goods he sold, except in a general way. He slapped men on the back, took them out to dinper, got drunk with them and then booked their orders. The modern salesman is a well educated, neatly dressed gentleman who knows all about the goods he sells. He is never called upon to drink, he never needs to dine out. he trades on honor and brains, and his customers are men who only admire men who know as much as or more than they do about their business Dress plays the most important part in the game of commerce, no less with the salesman than it does with the manufacturer, the mill man, the banker or the financial man. They all dress to impress their fellow men favorably. -C. M. Connolly in Success.

A captain of a Massachusetts regi-ment, stationed in Washington at the time of the civil war, was noted for his love of good things to eat and one day dispatched one of his soldiers, a man named Bailey, to Alexandria to get some fresh oysters, giving him instructions not to return without them. The man started, and no more was seen of him for nine days. The Washington Times prints the story of his return:

After a lapse of nine days Bailey came into camp leading a train of four horse wagons, loaded with oysters. Approaching and respectfully saluting the amazed captain. Bailey said:

"Here are your oysters, captain. Couldn't find any in Alexandria, so 1 chartered a schooner and made a vovage to Fortress Monroe and Norfolk for them. There are about 200 bushels. Where do you want 'em?"

Bailey did really make the trip, hired his men and sold oysters enough in Georgetown before "reporting" to pay all expenses and leave him a profit of about \$100 The 200 lauchels were divided among the members of the regiment, and Bailey returned to his duty.

Paper Making and the Egyptians The art of paper making is almost prehistoric. It is believed that the Egyptians invented the first crude

process. This is shown in the name itself, which is derived from the word papyrus, a reed which grows in Egypt and other warm countries. The ancient Egyptians made their primitive paper from this plant by taking the smooth, fibrous layer between the rough outer bark and the inner

flesh of the reed. This they dried and glued together in long rolls, which served as a means to convey their thoughts in hieroglyphics. This process has been so improved upon during the succeeding ages that today the most perfect paper can be made from the meanest substances.

Home Treatment. In Ohio, as in several other states,

persons condemned to death are taken to the state capital for execution. a jury was being chosen to try a murder case.

One member of the panel had been asked the usual questions and had given satisfactory answers until the lawyer for the defense inquired:

"Do you believe in capital punish-

"No, sir," was the prompt reply; "I believe in banging them right here at bome."-What to Eat.

When a beautiful woman smiles some pocketbook is weeping. Schoolmaster. Mice That Subsist on Scorpion

Among the queer forms of animal life that inhabit Death valley is a mouse that has acquired such a taste for scor pions that they form its entire bill of fare. The scorpion carries its formidable armament in the end of its slender. elongated abdomen in the shape of an exceedingly venomous hooked sting. When disturbed it elevates this in the air and goes in search of its disturber. But it is comparatively slow in its motions, while mice are proverbial for their quickness the world over. The mouse learned many generations ago where the scorpion carries its weapon, and when he meets it he leaps at the uplifted abdomen, takes off the sting at a single bite and proceeds to make a meal of his helpless prey. It is supposed to be the only animal that reilahes scorpions.

Gladstone and the Actor. An English speaker related this an-ecdote to an audience of theatrical em-ployees: "Mr. Gladstone, when Mr. Beerbohm Tree was introduced to him hardly knew upon what topic to converse with him, but at length asked Mr. Tree's opinion as to the politics of the stage, whether it is, as q rule, Lib eral or Conservative. 'Well str.' said Mr. Tree wickedly. I really have not studied the question, but I rocald think the actors are mostly Conservative. 'Dear me.' replied Mr. C adstone. wonder whether there is a sy exception to that rule? I should may, replied Mr. Tree, 'the scene shiffers are Rad leals to a man'."

GOLD CANNON BALLS.

Jungle Hidden Tr

Not long ago an old peasant wandering in the jungle about half a mile from the city of Ahmadnager, in India, when he found a round ball of metal. It was black and looked like an old iron round shot, but when the old man lifted it he was struck with its immense weight. He carried it home and found on scratching it that it was a lump of solid gold. It weighed eight pounds and its sale made the finder rich for life.

There are many more of these cannon balls, each worth a small fortune, lying hid or buried in the recesses of this jungle, and their story is a curious one. At the end of the sixteenth century Akbar, the greatest emperor Hindustan ever saw, was at the height of his glory. At the head of his con quering army he summoned Ahmad nager to surrender. The city and its rich treasure were then under the rule of the Princess Cande. Knowing that resistance could be but short, and in bitter rage against the oppressor, she caused all the treasure of gold and silver to be melted down. She cast the metal into cannon balls and engraved upon each maledictions against the conqueror. These were fired into the jungle and when Akbar entered the city, instead of the rich hoard he had hoped to win, he found a treasury absolutely empty.

That this is not the only occasion upon which cannon balls of gold have been cast is proved by the fact that in the treasury of the shah of Persia there may be seen in the same room where stands the famous peacock throne two small globular projectiles of gold. They were estimated by a recent visitor to weigh about thirty-one pounds each and are roughly made. Their origin or purpose is, however, totally forgotten. It is only known that they are very old.—Chicago Chron-

His Time Was Not Up. A man of a mercenary spirit had several sons, one of whom was on the eve of his twenty-first birthday. The father had always been a strict disciplinarian, keeping his boys well under parental charge, allowing them few liber ties and making them work hard.

It was with a feeling of considerable satisfaction that the young man rose on the morning of his birthday and began to collect his personal belongings preparatory to starting out in the

The farmer, seeing his son packing his trunk, which he rightly judged to be evidence of the early loss of a good farm hand, stopped at the door of the young man's room and asked what be was going to do.

The boy very promptly reminded his father of the day of the month and the year and declared his intention of striking out in the world on his own ac-

"Not much you won't," shouted the old man, "at least not for awhile yet! You wasn't born until after 12 o'clock, so you can just take off them good clothes and fix to give me another half day's work down in the potato patch."

Fate's Ironies. Fate at times works some strange

ironies Mr. McHugh, an Irish member of par liament, some years ago brought for ward a bill for the amendment of the law relating to contempt of court in Ireland and was soon afterward sentenced to three months' imprisonment for that offense. Mr. McHugh's bill was sent to him in proof form while he was undergoing his sentence and revised in Kil-

mainham jail. Two convicts were executed at the Ichigaya prison in Japan, and one of them as he ascended the guillotine remarked that he had built it himself while serving a sentence for largeny

two years before. A few years ago a story came from a town in Staffordshire, England, of a man who took his dog to the river to drown it in order to save the expense of a license, but slipped and was drowned himself, while the dog returned home

"Aren't the perfect trust and conndence engaged people have in each other perfectly beautiful?"

"Perfectly idiotic, I should say "Why?"

"Because when I was engaged I told my future wife all about my income and prespects, and now I can't spend a dollar on myself without her knowing about it."-New York Times.

each box of pills.

The Fly's Roon Hour. rest in a hammock beneath the scant shade of an old-tree that stood at the

corner of a down state hotel.

"I had no sooner stretched myself in the hammock," said he, "than these files attacked me, seemingly by the million. It was intolerable, and in no pleasant frame of mind I looked up the

"'What do you mean,' I demanded, by stretching your hammock in that fy haunted field of torture you call a

now,' he answered, 'but you ought to use the hammock during the hammock hours, and you'd have no trouble from

"'What are hammock hours?' I in quired.

"From 12 noon to 2 p. m. daily,' he replied. 'During those hours flies willnot attack you in the hammock.'

"I was much interested in the man' Socratic skill in evading the issue, and, wishing to draw him out, I asked: Why are there no files around the

hammock between 12 and 27 "'Oh,' he rejoined, 'at that tim they're all in the dining room." "-Chicago Inter Ocean.

The Dogs of the Red Mes When Columbus discovered America, he found that the Indians possessed dogs. They were direct descendants of the wild coyotes of the plains. You can find a beautifully mounted group coyotes in a glass case at the National museum, a male, female and young one. Their resemblance to certain domesticated dogs is very striking.

"You want that book bound, sir? Yes, sir. It will cost 3 marks. But there are pictures in it. That will make it 5 marks, sir."

"But why is it more with pictures?"

"Oh, you see, sir, my helper will waste so much time looking at them?" -Fliegende Blatter. Forgetful Father-in-law. "I've had another quarrel with my son-in-law, Count Fuscads," said Mr.

Cumrox gloomily. "Have you refused him money? "Certainly not. But I forgot to take my hat off and address him by his title when I handed him the check."-Washington Star.

A Trick With an Egg.
Place two V shaped wineglasses of the same size near the edge of a table, In the right hand one put an egg, just fitting the rim of the glass. Hold the bases of the glasses firmly down, the top rims touching each other. Now, with a quick, sharp breath, blow upo the line where the egg and the glass meet. The egg will jump to the other glass. With a little practice this can be done every time. Be careful to blow in a line with the left hand glass, or the egg will jump in the wrong di-rection and land on the table with disastrous results.

Her Objection. "Don't you think you are taking the wrong stand when you say you do not wish your son to marry, Mrs. Willoughby?" asked an intimate friend. "Don't you know it is natural and best for a young man to marry and that he will not think any the less of his moth-

er because he has a wife?" "Oh, it isn't that," protested Mrs. Willoughby. "I don't mind his marrying on general principles, but I don't want to be called 'the old Mrs. Willoughby."-New York Press

Awake.

Sharp-Why, I almost lost money on the goods I sold to you. How much do you think I made on the order? Byer - About twenty-five times as

Sharp-Twenty-five times as much as what? Byer-As you were going to say you made.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Not Used to It. Hostess-I wonder why your little brother seems so restless and unc fortable?

Little Ethel-I think it's 'cause his hands is clean.—Stray Stories

"Look, papa! The duke has brought his coronet."
"Tell him to go ahead and play it. I

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